(d) whether it is a fact that the guilty officer was given bail, which he has since jumped; and

(e) whether Government would consider tightening the law to deny early bail to influential criminals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) Government is not aware of any kidneys being exported.

(b) Government is not aware of any such payment.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a).

(d) As per the information received from Government of Karnataka, based on the complaints regarding illegal removal of kidneys from unsuspecting blood donors in Karnataka, one Dr. Siddaraju was arrested in Bangalore and later on released on bail, who has jumped the bail.

(e) It is for the concerned State Governments to take appropriate necessary section in this regard.

Development of Centochronian contraceptive pill

622. SHRI K. R. MALKANI: Will he PRIME MINISTER be pleased to tate:

(a) whether it is a fact that India as developed Centochronian, our own non-asterodial weekly oral contraceptive ill;

(b) whether foreign lobbies are pushing oreign contraceptives like Norplant, epo Provera etc.;

(c) whether the World Bank and World ealth Organisation, under foreign pressre, are withholding support to the ndian pill; and

(c) what steps Government propose to ke in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE INISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMI- WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH HATOWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) ICMR is carrying out phase-III clinical trials on Norplant through Cafeteria approach. The drug Controller of India has permitted private marketing of Depo Provera alongwith post-marketing surveillence.

(c) and (d) Eligibility of Centchroman under World Bank assistance is being considered by the Bank in consultation with Government.

Cadre review of technical posts

623. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had undertaken a cadre review of the technical posts in Autonomous Research Councils of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani Medicine and Homoeopathy Central Councils of Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy, National Institutes of Ayurveda and Homoeopathy under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that recommendations of the said Committee concerning various allowances and time bound promotions have been singularly implemented in the National Institute of Ayurveda at Jaipur and National Institute of Homoeopathy and Research Councils of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani Medicine and Homoeopathy have been denied similar benefits; and

(c) if so, the reasons for this biased attitude and also by when the recommendations would be implemented in other Councils and National Institute of Homoeopathy?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) to (c) The Government had undertaken Cadre Review for Technical Posts in various Autonomous Research Councils for the systems of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homoeo-

pathy. Recommendations of the Committee which reviewed the Cadre were put up for clearance to Ministry of Finance. The Finance Ministry agreed to revise the Pay Scales of only the National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur, amongst the list of Autonomous Research Councils submitted to them.

Shortage of Doctors at Primary Health Centres

624. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government propose to take private doctors on Contract with a view to meet the shortage of doctors for primary health centres;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINITRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (c) to ensure delivery of quality services, availability of trained manpower, if necessary through alternative modes like contractual appointments of per visit fees has also been suggested for the States of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Bihar.

Abolition of Capitation fee in Medical Colleges

625. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether, despite Government's policy to abolish the system of capitation fee it is prevalent in Medical Colleges in different States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what effective measures are contemplated to do away with the system; and

(d) if not, the reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (d) As per information available from the Medical Council of India, there is no report of capitation fee being charged by any of the private medical colleges after the Hon'ble Supreme Court's judgement in the matter of Unnikrishnan's case.

Ban on Electropathy/Homoeopathy Medical Practitioners

626. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:

SHRI K. M. KHAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have imposed a ban on electropathy/homoeopathy medical practitioners; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) and (b) Homoeopathy is a recognised system and there is no ban on its practitioners. Electropathy is not a recognised system imposition of ben separately on its practitioner is not called for.

Assessment of drug formulations

627. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been made recently to assess the percentage of drug formulations that are considered irrational and have been banned in various countries but are still being marketed in the country

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps contemplated by Government to check production and marketing of these drugs in the country?